

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF  
CITIZENSHIP****INSTRUCTIONS**

(Tear off this instruction sheet before filling out this form)

**THIS FORM IS NOT FOR CHILDREN ADOPTED BY UNITED STATES CITIZENS.** It may be used for children adopted by alien parents who were later naturalized. It must be completely filled in. Print the answers in ink or use typewriter. If you do not have enough room for any answer or if the instructions tell you to use a separate sheet of paper, use another sheet this size, giving the answer the same number as the number of the question, and attach it to the application. You will later be notified to appear for examination before an officer of the Immigration and Naturalization Service. You may be requested to bring a relative or other witness to provide additional testimony.

**AGE OF APPLICANT-** Applicants 14 years of age or over must sign their full names, but only in the space provided on page 3 of this application. If under 14 years, only the parent or guardian must sign his or her name and only in the space provided on page 3.

**FEE** - A fee of one hundred sixty dollars (\$160) must be paid for filing this application. It cannot be refunded regardless of the action taken on the application. **DO NOT MAIL CASH. ALL FEES MUST BE SUBMITTED IN THE EXACT AMOUNT.** Payment by check or money order must be drawn on a bank or other institution located in United States and be payable in United States currency. If applicant resides in Guam, check or money order must be payable to the "Treasurer Guam." If applicant resides in the Virgin Islands, check or money order must be payable to the "Commissioner of Finance of the Virgin Islands." All other applicants must make the check or money order payable to the "Immigration and Naturalization Service." When check is drawn on account of a person other than the applicant, the name of the applicant must be entered on the face of the check. If application is submitted from outside the United States, remittance may be made by bank international money order or foreign draft drawn on a financial institution in the United States and payable to the Immigration and Naturalization Service in United States currency. Personal checks are accepted subject to collectibility. An uncollectible check will render the application and any document issued pursuant thereto invalid. A charge of \$30.00 will be imposed if a check in payment of a fee is not honored by the bank on which it is drawn.

**PHOTOGRAPHS** - You are required to send with this application three identical unglazed photographs of yourself taken within 30 days of the date of this application. These photographs must be 2 x 2 inches in size and the distance from top of head to point of chin should be approximately 1 1/4 inches; must *not* be pasted on a card or mounted in any other way; must be on thin paper, have a light background, and clearly show a front view of your face without hat. Snapshots, groups, or full - length portraits or machine - made photographs will not be accepted. **YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS MUST NOT BE SIGNED**, but you should print your name and alien registration number, if any, in the center of the *back* of each photograph lightly with a soft lead pencil, taking care not to mutilate the photograph. They may be in natural color or in black and white, but black and white photographs which have been tinted or otherwise colored are not acceptable.

**FACTS CONCERNING ARRIVAL IN THE UNITED STATES** - Detailed information should be given in Statement 3 regarding your first arrival in the United States for permanent residence in this country. The information regarding the number of the passport and date and place of issuance does not need to be given unless you traveled on a *United States* passport at that time. If you do not know the exact date of arrival or name of the vessel or port and cannot obtain this information, give the facts of your arrival to the best of your ability. If you have an alien registration receipt card, immigrant identification card, ship's card, or baggage labels, they will help you to give this information.

**NAME TO BE SHOWN ON CERTIFICATE** - The certificate will be issued only in a name that you have a legal right to use.

**DOCUMENTS** - If your birth abroad, or the birth abroad of any person through whom citizenship is claimed, was registered with an American Consul there, submit with this application any registration form that was issued. If any required documents were submitted to and **RETAINED** by the American Consul in connection with such registration, or in connection with the issuance of a United States passport or in any other official matter, and you wish to use such documents in connection with this application instead of submitting duplicate copies, merely list the documents in Statement 14 of the application and give the location of the Consulate. If you wish to make similar use of required documents contained in any Immigration and Naturalization Service file, list them in Statement 14 and identify the file by name, number, and location. Otherwise, the documents as mentioned in the box on page 6 applicable to your case (see over) must accompany your application and, for any required document not furnished, you must explain why; what efforts you have made to get it; and, if possible, enclose a statement from the official custodian of such records showing that the document is not available. You should also forward for consideration, in lieu of that document, a record or the affidavits described under **SECONDARY EVIDENCE**, on the reverse of this page.

If any person through whom citizenship is claimed became a citizen through his or her parent(s), but does not have a certificate of citizenship (with a number preceded by an A or AA) in his or her own name, communicate with the Immigration and Naturalization Service for information as to additional documents which must be submitted.

**REPORTING BURDEN.** A person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control numbers. Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average one (1) hour per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing this burden, to U.S. Department of Justice, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Room 5307, Washington, D.C. 20536. OMB No. 1115-0018. **DO NOT MAIL YOUR COMPLETED APPLICATION TO THIS ADDRESS.**

## INSTRUCTIONS (Continued)

Any document in a foreign language must be accompanied by a translation in English. The translator must certify that he/she is competent to translate and that the translation is accurate. Do not send a Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship and do not make any copy of such a certificate. An interview in connection with your application will be scheduled before an officer of the Immigration and Naturalization Service, and any Certificate of Naturalization or Citizenship may be presented in person at that time. If the law does not prohibit the making of copies send in a legible copy of any document which you submit with the application, but bring the original of any submitted copy with you to the interview. The original will be returned to you and the copy retained. You may be called upon to present proof of a parent's residence or physical presence in the United States.

### IF CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP THROUGH FATHER (OR BOTH PARENTS)

1. Applicant's birth certificate.
2. Marriage certificate of applicant's parents.
3. If applicant's parents were married before their marriage to each other, death certificate or divorce decree showing the termination of any previous marriage of each parent.
4. If applicant is a woman and has ever been married, her marriage certificate(s).
5. If applicant's parent(s) became citizen(s) at birth, birth certificate(s) of parent(s).
6. Death certificate(s) of applicant's parent(s), if deceased.
7. If applicant is an adopted child, applicant's adoption decree.

### IF CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP THROUGH MOTHER

1. Applicant's birth certificate.
2. Marriage certificate(s) of applicant's mother.
3. If applicant is a woman and has ever been married, her marriage certificate(s).
4. If applicant's mother became a citizen of the United States at birth, mother's birth certificate.
5. If applicant is claiming citizenship through mother's marriage before September 22, 1922, to applicant's stepfather, death certificate or divorce decree showing termination of any previous marriage(s) of mother and stepfather.
6. If applicant is claiming citizenship through mother's marriage before September 22, 1922, to applicant's stepfather and stepfather became a citizen of the United States at birth, stepfather's birth certificate.
7. Death certificate of applicant's mother, if deceased.

### IF CLAIMING CITIZENSHIP THROUGH HUSBAND

(NOTE: APPLICABLE ONLY IF MARRIAGE OCCURRED PRIOR TO SEPTEMBER 22, 1922.)

1. If husband through whom citizenship is claimed became a citizen of the United States at birth, husband's birth certificate.
2. Applicant's marriage certificate(s).
3. If either applicant or the husband through whom she is claiming citizenship was married before their marriage to each other, death certificate or divorce decree showing the termination of each such prior marriage(s).
4. If applicant's marriage to the husband through whom she is claiming citizenship has terminated, death certificate or divorce decree showing such a termination.

### SECONDARY EVIDENCE

If it is not possible to obtain any one of the required documents or records shown above, the following may be submitted for consideration:

1. *Baptismal certificate.* - A certificate under the seal of the church where the baptism occurred, showing date and place of the child's birth, date of baptism, the names of the godparents, if known.
2. *School record.* - A letter from the school authorities having jurisdiction over school attended (preferably the first school), showing the date of admission to the school, child's date of birth or age at that time, place of birth, and the names and places of birth of parents, if shown in the school records.
3. *Census record.* - State or Federal census record showing the name(s) and place(s) of birth, and date(s) of birth or age(s) of the person(s) listed.
4. *Affidavits.* - Notarized affidavits of two persons who were living at the time, and who have personal knowledge, of the event you are trying to prove - for example, the date and place of a birth, marriage, or death. The persons making the affidavits may be relatives and need not be citizens of the United States. Each affidavit should contain the following information regarding the person making the affidavit: His (Her) full name and address; date and place of birth; relationship to you, if any; full information concerning the event; and complete details concerning how he (she) acquired knowledge of the event.

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FEE STAMP

Take or mail this application to:  
IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE

Date \_\_\_\_\_

(Print or type) \_\_\_\_\_ nee \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Full, True Name, without Abbreviations) (Maiden name, if any)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Apartment number, Street address, and if appropriate, "in care of")

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (City) (Country) (State) (ZIP Code)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 (Telephone Number)

ALIEN REGISTRATION

NO. \_\_\_\_\_

**(SEE INSTRUCTIONS. BE SURE YOU UNDERSTAND EACH QUESTION BEFORE YOU ANSWER IT.)**

I hereby apply to the Commissioner of Immigration and Naturalization for a certificate showing that I am a citizen of the United States of America.

(1) I was born in \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
 (City) (State or Country) (Month) (Day) (Year)(2) My personal description is: Sex \_\_\_\_\_; complexion \_\_\_\_\_; color of eyes \_\_\_\_\_; color of hair \_\_\_\_\_; height \_\_\_\_ feet \_\_\_\_ inches;  
 weight \_\_\_\_\_ pounds; visible distinctive marks \_\_\_\_\_Marital status: ☐ Single; ☐ Married; ☐ Divorced; ☐ Widow(er).(3) I arrived in the United States at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
 (City and State) (Month) (Day) (Year)under the name \_\_\_\_\_ by means of \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Name of ship or other means of arrival)☐ on U. S. Passport No. \_\_\_\_\_ issued to me at \_\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Month) (Day) (Year)☐ on an Immigrant Visa. ☐ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

(4) FILL IN THIS BLOCK ONLY IF YOU ARRIVED IN THE UNITED STATES BEFORE JULY 1, 1924.

(a) My last permanent foreign residence was \_\_\_\_\_  
 (City) (Country)(b) I took the ship or other conveyance to the United States at \_\_\_\_\_  
 (City) (Country)(c) I was coming to \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Name of person in the United States) (City and State where this person was living)(d) I traveled to the United States with \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Names of passengers or relatives with whom you traveled, and their relationship to you, if any)(5) Have you been out of the United States since you first arrived? ☐ Yes ☐ No; If "Yes" fill in the following information for every absence.

DATE DEPARTED	DATE RETURNED	Name Of Airlines Or Other Means Used To Return To The United States	Port Of Return To The United States

(6) I \_\_\_\_\_ filed a petition for naturalization. (If "have" attach full explanation.)  
 (have) (have not)**TO THE APPLICANT. - Do not write between the double lines below. Continue on next page.**

## ARRIVAL RECORDS EXAMINED

 Card index \_\_\_\_\_  
 Index books \_\_\_\_\_  
 Manifests \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_

## ARRIVAL RECORD FOUND

 Place \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Manner \_\_\_\_\_  
 Marital status \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Signature of person making search)

(CONTINUE HERE)

(7) I claim United States citizenship through my (check whichever applicable) ☐ father; ☐ mother; ☐ both parents;

☐ adoptive parent(s) ☐ husband

(8) My father's name is \_\_\_\_\_; he was born on \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) (Day) (Year)

at \_\_\_\_\_ (City) (State or Country); and resides at \_\_\_\_\_ (Street address, city and State or country. If dead, write "dead" and date of death.)

He became a citizen of the United States by ☐ birth; ☐ naturalization on \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) (Day) (Year)

in the \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of court, city and State) Certificate of Naturalization No. \_\_\_\_\_

☐ through his parent(s), and \_\_\_\_\_ issued Certificate of Citizenship No. A or AA \_\_\_\_\_ (was) (was not)

(If known) His former Alien Registration No. was \_\_\_\_\_

He \_\_\_\_\_ lost United States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation )

(has) (has not)

He resided in the United States from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; I am the child of his \_\_\_\_\_ marriage.

(Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (1st, 2d, 3d, etc.)

(9) My mother's present name is \_\_\_\_\_; her maiden name was \_\_\_\_\_;

she was born on \_\_\_\_\_; at \_\_\_\_\_; she resides at \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) (Day) (Year) (City) (State or country)

She became a citizen of the United States by ☐ birth; ☐ naturalization under the name of \_\_\_\_\_

on \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) (Day) (Year) in the \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of court, city, and State)

Certificate of Naturalization No. \_\_\_\_\_; ☐ through her parent(s), and \_\_\_\_\_ issued Certificate of Citizenship No. A or AA \_\_\_\_\_ (was) (was not)

(If known) Her former Alien Registration No. was \_\_\_\_\_

She \_\_\_\_\_ lost United States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation .)

(has) (has not)

She resided in the United States from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_; I am the child of her \_\_\_\_\_ marriage.

(Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (Year) (1st, 2d, 3d, etc.)

(10) My mother and my father were married to each other on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) (Day) (Year) (City) (State or country)

(11) If claim is through adoptive parent(s):

I was adopted on \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ (Month) (Day) (Year) (Name of Court)

at \_\_\_\_\_ by my \_\_\_\_\_ who were not United States citizens at that time. (City or town) (State) (Country) (mother, father, parents)

(12) My \_\_\_\_\_ served in the Armed Forces of the United States from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (father) (mother) (Date) (Date) (was) (was not)

honorably discharged.

(13) I \_\_\_\_\_ lost my United States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation.) (have) (have not)

(14) I submit the following documents with this application:

Nature of Document	Names of Persons Concerned
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

(15) Fill in this block if your brother, sister, mother or father ever applied to the Immigration Service for a certificate of citizenship.

NAME OF RELATIVE	RELATIONSHIP	DATE OF BIRTH	WHEN APPLICATION SUBMITTED	CERTIFICATE NO. AND FILE NO., IF KNOWN, AND LOCATION OF OFFICE

(16) Fill in this block only if you are now or ever have been a married woman. I have been married \_\_\_\_\_ time(s), as follows:  
(1, 2, 3 etc.)

DATE MARRIED	NAME OF HUSBAND	CITIZENSHIP OF HUSBAND	IF MARRIAGE HAS BEEN TERMINATED:	
			Date Marriage Ended	How Marriage Ended (Death or Divorce)

(17) Fill in this block only if you claim citizenship through a husband. (Marriage must have occurred prior to September 22, 1922.)

Name of citizen husband \_\_\_\_\_ ; he was born on \_\_\_\_\_  
(Give full and complete name) (Month) (Day) (Year)  
at \_\_\_\_\_ ; and resides at \_\_\_\_\_ He became a citizen of the  
(City) (State or country) (Street address, city, and State or country. If dead, write "dead" and date of death.)  
United States by ☐ birth; ☐ naturalization on \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate of  
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Name of court, city, and state)  
Naturalization No. \_\_\_\_\_ ; ☐ through his parent(s), and \_\_\_\_\_ issued Certificate of  
(was) (was not)  
Citizenship No. A or AA \_\_\_\_\_ He \_\_\_\_\_ since lost United States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation.)  
(has) (has not)  
I am of the \_\_\_\_\_ race. Before my marriage to him, he was married \_\_\_\_\_ time(s), as follows:  
(1, 2, 3, etc.)

DATE MARRIED	NAME OF WIFE	IF MARRIAGE HAS BEEN TERMINATED:	
		Date Marriage Ended	How Marriage Ended (Death or Divorce)

(18) Fill in this block only if you claim citizenship through your stepfather. (Applicable only if mother married U. S. Citizen prior to September 22, 1922.)

The full name of my stepfather is \_\_\_\_\_ ; he was born on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
(Month) (Day) (Year) (City) (State or country)  
and resides at \_\_\_\_\_ He became a citizen of the United States by ☐ birth;  
(Street address, city, and State or country. If dead, write "dead" and date of death.)  
☐ naturalization on \_\_\_\_\_ in the \_\_\_\_\_ Certificate of Naturalization No. \_\_\_\_\_ ;  
(Month) (Day) (Year) (Name of court, City and State)  
☐ through his parent(s), and \_\_\_\_\_ issued Certificate of Citizenship No. A or AA \_\_\_\_\_ He \_\_\_\_\_ since lost United  
(was) (was not) (has) (has not)  
States citizenship. (If citizenship lost, attach full explanation. ) He and my mother were married to each other on \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_  
(Month) (Day) (Year) (City and State or country)  
My mother is of the \_\_\_\_\_ race. She \_\_\_\_\_ issued Certificate of Citizenship No. A \_\_\_\_\_  
(was) (was not)  
Before marrying my mother, my stepfather was married \_\_\_\_\_ time(s), as follows:  
(1, 2, 3, etc.)

DATE MARRIED	NAME OF WIFE	IF MARRIAGE HAS BEEN TERMINATED:	
		Date Marriage Ended	How Marriage Ended (Death or Divorce)

(19) I \_\_\_\_\_ previously applied for a certificate of citizenship on \_\_\_\_\_ , at \_\_\_\_\_  
(have) (have not) (Date) (Office)

(20) Signature of person preparing form. If other than applicant. I declare that this document was prepared by me at the request of the applicant and is based on all information of which I have any knowledge.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

(SIGN HERE) \_\_\_\_\_

(Signature of applicant or parent or guardian)

## AFFIDAVIT

I, the \_\_\_\_\_, do swear  
(Applicant, parent, guardian)  
that I know and understand the contents of this application, signed by me,  
and of attached supplementary pages numbered ( ) to ( ), inclusive; that  
the same are true to the best of my knowledge and belief; and that  
corrections numbered ( ) to ( ) were made by me or at my request.

Subscribed and sworn to before me upon examination of the applicant  
(parent, guardian) at \_\_\_\_\_  
this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_,  
and continued solely for:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of applicant, parent, guardian)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Officers Signature and Title)

## REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON APPLICATION

On the basis of the documents, records, and persons examined, and the identification upon personal appearance of the underage beneficiary, I find that  
all the facts and conclusions set forth under oath in this application are \_\_\_\_\_ true and correct; that the applicant did \_\_\_\_\_ derive or acquire United  
States citizenship on \_\_\_\_\_, through  
(Month) (Day) (Year)

and that (s)he \_\_\_\_\_ been expatriated since that time. I recommend that this application be \_\_\_\_\_ and that  
( has ) ( has not )  
Certificate of citizenship be \_\_\_\_\_ issued in the name of \_\_\_\_\_ (granted) (denied)  
(A) (AA)

In addition to the documents listed in Item 14, the following documents and records have been examined:

<i>Person Examined</i>	<i>Address</i>	<i>Relationship to Applicant</i>	<i>Date Testimony Heard</i>
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Supplementary Report(s) No.(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Attached.

Date \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Officer's Signature and Title)

I do \_\_\_\_\_ concur in the recommendation

Date \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of District Director or Officer in Charge)